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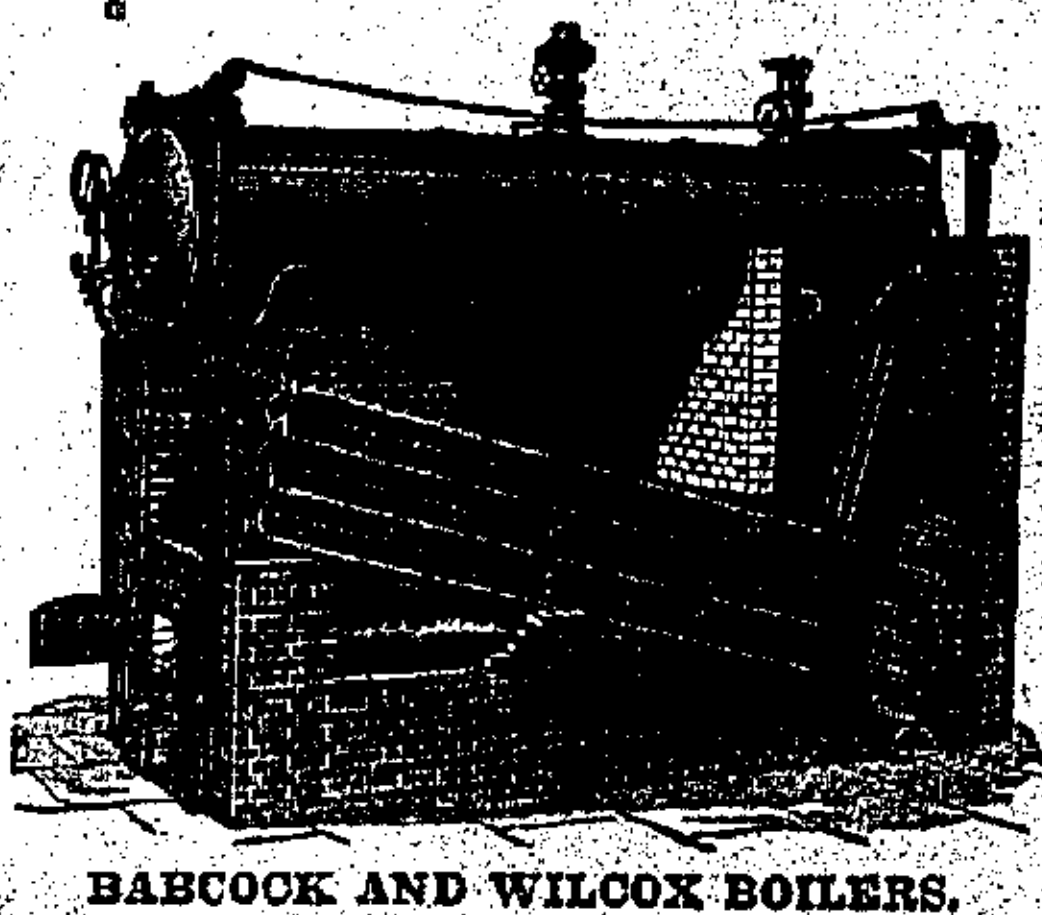
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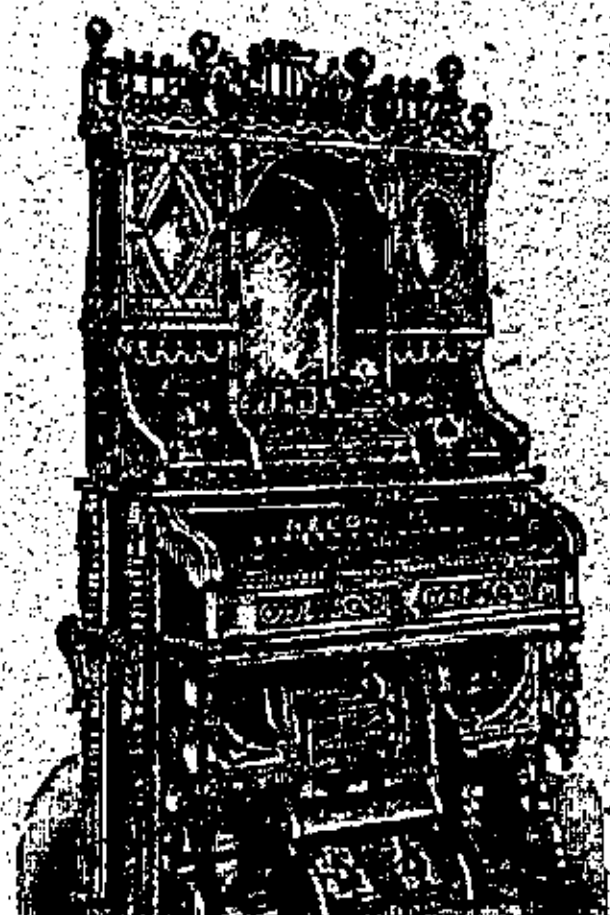
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Notes from the Philippines.

No boats are allowed outside Manila breakwater after sunset.

H.M.S. *Undisputed* has been painted black in Manila Bay.

A branch of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank is to be established shortly in Cebu.

The Bahian mountain in the Island of Colra is reported to have disappeared in an earthquake.

It is reported that nearly 100 Spanish prisoners have escaped from the Philippines to the American lines.

Mr. Reginald Turner, broker (who is well known in Hongkong), died at Manila on the 17th November.

The crew of the wrecked U.S. cruiser *Charleston* arrived at Manila on the U.S. steamer *Illinois* on the 21st Nov.

The inter-island steamer *Saragat* has gone ashore on the coast of Samar. The steamer *Japan* has gone to her assistance with pumping and salvage gear.

A circular letter has been addressed to the local Presidents of the towns of Cebu province, summoning them to hold elections for the appointment of a President of the Central Provincial Council.

The Americans have now the control of the Manila-Dagupan Railway. It is said that at one time Aguinaldo was surrounded by the U.S. troops, but managed to escape disguised as a peasant. The personal effects of his wife were captured.

The order issued by the American authorities at Manila, to the effect that every Chinaman wishing to obtain a certificate of residence must furnish three photographs of himself, to be attached to documents for purposes of identification, has been repealed.

According to the *Progreso* (Manila), the British cruiser *Undisputed* will be the bearer of the supplies for the Spanish prisoners, instead of the *Penelope*, which was at first named in this connection. The *Undisputed* has much greater capacity than the *Penelope*.

Mr. W. Phelps Whitmarsh, special correspondent of the *Outlook* of New York, is reported to have fallen into the hands of the Filipinos near Angeles. Mr. Whitmarsh was in Hongkong recently. He is an Englishman. We do not believe he is in any danger, but will probably be held treated by Aguinaldo and his officers.

Concert Announcement.
We have been requested to announce that a Concert will be given in the St. Andrew's Hall on the evening of Saturday, the 16th of December, in aid of 'The Kew-Forest Institute' and 'The Star'. Particulars of the performance will be advertised shortly.

The Wreck of the 'Charleston.'
It is feared that the U.S. warship *Charleston* will have to be regarded as a total loss. Very heavy weather has been experienced round the Northern coast of Luzon, and the U.S.S. *Hekla* which had been out cruising in the vicinity where the *Charleston* was wrecked has returned to Manila, and reports that nothing has been seen of the wreck in its entirety, although the coast was strewn with wreckage.

Bugsy Football.

The Hongkong Rugby Football Club will play the Navy on Thursday at the Happy Valley. The Club will not be quite at full strength, unfortunately, owing to Thursday being the last day of the month—a busy day for some civilians. But, nevertheless, the Club may be expected to give a good account of themselves. The attention of Naval officers is directed to the new rules passed by the Club Committee whereby they are accorded the use of the Grand Stand on that day. The following will represent the Hongkong Club—Buck—R. G. Thomson, R.A.; Three-Quarters—M. L. Wilkinson, R.A.; H. Hall, A. Beattie, H. Hancock; Halves—A. Williamson and A. J. Stevens, R.E.; Forwards—K. Vyvyan, R.W.F.; H. Morrell, J. McMartin, E. E. Deacon, H. Hall, W. Loring, R.A.; A. R. Tate, R.A.; R. N. Castle, R.A. (Capt.); Line-man—C. F. Mulliken, R.A. Referee—Capt. Wymouth, R.A. Kick-off at 4.15 p.m. sharp.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Observatory—
On the 29th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer continues to fall on the China coast. Pressure is still high over central China, and relatively low, apparently, in the Pacific near the Philippines. Gradients slight on the coast, moderate with strong monsoon in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast—moderate N. winds; fine.

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REUTERS' TELEGRAMS.

London, 27th November, 1899.

THE WAR—COMMUNICATION WITH ENEMY RESTORED.

Communication between Darhan and Etsouat has been re-established.

General Joubert is rushing from Moudriev in the direction of Tadjik.

THE KILLED AT GRASSPAN AND BELMONT.

The killed at the action at Grasspan include Commander Ethelbert of the *Powderful* and Major Plumbo and Capt. Sauter of the *Marines*. At Belmont, Bents, Fryer and Blundell of the Grenadier Guards, Capt. Pagar and Lieut. Brine of the Northland battalions.

NATAL.

A despatch from General Buller, dated Maritzburg 26th instant, says that General Bullard advanced on the 23rd inst. against the enemy at Bardon Hill, the operation resulting in the retirement of the enemy. The British loss was 14 killed and 50 wounded.

It appears that the Boers, finding the British too strong, are retiring to Lady-smith.

The Mool river railway has been re-opened to Freetown.

Orders have been issued at Freetown for a general advance on Colenso.

THE RELIEF OF KIMBERLEY.

Nothing further has been heard from General Methuen. The Navals and the Marines lost fourteen killed and ninety-one wounded at Grasspan.

The Boers were reported south of Stormberg.

BECHUANALAND.

The Boers have been repulsed at Kuruman, after a fight lasting six days and nights. The Boers lost 30 killed and 28 wounded. The British loss was trifling.

It is true that the Boers are south of Stormberg, it means that they have advanced into Cape Colony to intercept any British force coming up from East London and Queenstown.—E.N. (C.M.)

(Volunteer Guards' War Service.)

London, 27th November, 1899.

THE WAR—THE RE-INFORCEMENTS.

Six hundred Australians have arrived at Capetown.

The Times says the Boer forces are clearly under estimated, and urge the immediate preparation of the sixth division for embarkation.

THIS CAPE.

On the night of the 28th instant from 6 to 10, the Naval men showed the greatest gallantry, and the Marines, Yorkshires, and North Lancashires especially distinguished themselves. The force is halting for a day for rest, and to replenish its ammunition.

General Lord Methuen has established heliographic communication with Kimberley. Owing to the incidents at the Belmont fight, General Lord Methuen has written a courteously-worded despatch to the Boer Commander, asking him to prevent the Boer wounded from firing on the British, and saying that if he is desirous to assist in forwarding the use of Dum-Dum bullets, he will forbear the abuse of the white flag.

THE FRENCH AT KWONGCHAI-WAN.

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The above has evoked many criticisms of the Post Office. We give the following correspondence with the British Post Master:-

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'Six postal notes for 3/- each - 18/-'
Reply received at 11.55 a.m.:-
'No postal notes in hand at present. All sold.'
(Signed) 'F. G. M.'

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'Dear Sir,
'Very sorry - money orders closed at noon.'
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And the required money orders were duly obtained, as in the other case, at the German Post Office. Comment is needless.

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TRANSFORMING AN ARMY DIVISION.
Tokyo, November 17.

New tactics introduced this year, involving the despatch of a portion of the troops over sea, have been put into test. To view of the peculiar position in which Japan is placed, there is a marked necessity for acquiring efficiency and skill in mobilizing and transporting troops at a moment's notice. Hitherto only the railway has been utilized. According to the present plan, a detachment of the enemy is supposed to be engaged in invading Tachikawa, with the intention of surprising Tokyo. The troops that left Yokohama on Monday morning for the foreign army, the headquarters of which were stationed at Yokohama. In all 2,300 men and 125 horses were transported, besides guns, ammunition, and other military stores. These numbers were further increased by camp followers, messengers, correspondents, the military attaches of the foreign Legations, etc. The whole numbered close upon 2,400. The embarkation began at 4 p.m. and ended at 9 p.m., without the least hitch, the test proving satisfactory. According to the present estimate, the Japanese can despatch about 25,000 men within three days after the declaration of war and land them at any objective point. Of course the distance alters the calculation. The men who were transported consisted of two companies of infantry, one company of the commissariat, one company of cavalry, and one regiment of infantry. The transports employed were No. 15 and No. 20 Kurematsunaru. They arrived at Tachikawa the next day at 9.40 a.m., and the disembarkation commenced. Sixteen lighters, three of which each furnished a pontoon, came alongside the steamers, towed by three launches. Boards were placed on the lighters to make the footing easy, and each pontoon had wooden railings erected on its sides. The infantry landed first, then the artillery and the cavalry. At 7 p.m. the disembarkation was completed. Scouts were sent ahead, but no trace of the defending army being discernible, the landing army decided to advance at Tachikawa, Hiji, and the neighbouring villages. A general advance was to be made on arrival of the reinforcements from Yokohama. Next day at 4.30 p.m. the reinforcements arrived and steps were at once taken to disembark them. The ships anchored 1,500 metres from the shore. Floating piers were constructed, which facilitated the landing. The operation was concluded a little past 12 o'clock, having taken nearly eight hours. Torches were lighted along the landing stage during the night, as the enemy was known to be far away from the base. In the meantime the auxiliary corps set to work in grim earnest, pitching field hospital, etc. Fortunately not a single accident occurred requiring their services. The reinforcements numbered nearly the same as the van army that arrived the previous day. One horse was drowned during the disembarkation. Apparently the invading army was organized as a mixed brigade. Early in the small hours of the morning it was known that the defending army were on their way from Kurematsunaru to give battle to the invaders. NAGASAKI PRESS.

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HONGKONG TIDES.
The Tide Table given below has been compiled by the Nautical Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table is Low Water Ordinary Spring Tides, which has been found to be 2 feet below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 5 ft. 7 in., and on the gauge at Tsim Sha Tsui add 12 ft. 9 in., to the height given in the table.

30th Nov. to 6th December.

Hour.	Mean.	Height.	Hour.	Mean.	Height.
24	7.0	4.1	12	1.6	0.0
25	6.0	3.1	13	0.6	0.0
26	5.0	2.1	14	0.6	0.0
27	4.0	1.1	15	0.6	0.0
28	3.0	0.1	16	0.6	0.0
29	2.0	0.1	17	0.6	0.0
30	1.0	0.1	18	0.6	0.0
31	0.0	0.1	19	0.6	0.0
32	0.0	0.1	20	0.6	0.0
33	0.0	0.1	21	0.6	0.0
34	0.0	0.1	22	0.6	0.0
35	0.0	0.1	23	0.6	0.0
36	0.0	0.1	24	0.6	0.0

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THE NEW TERRITORIES LAND COURT BILL.

The following are the objects and reasons attached to the New Territories Land Court Bill read a first time at the last meeting of the Legislative Council:-

This Bill is framed to a considerable extent upon the basis of the Land Court Ordinance, 1890 (Ordinance 27 of 1890), which has been found to work satisfactorily.

The chief aim of this Bill is to provide owners and occupiers of land in the New Territories with a tribunal to which they can appeal without incurring the expense of resorting to the Supreme Court, and to arrange amicably questions of disputed title and land and rent disputes generally.

It is proposed by this Bill to substitute a certificate of title for a Crown lease, because it has been ascertained that the ordinary holding of land in the New Territories is a tenancy in perpetuity, and this Government could not, under the terms of the Convention with China, grant a lease for more than 99 years from the date of the Convention.

Clause 15 of the Bill contains special provisions for the communication of rent in produce into a payment of rent in money, calculated upon the fair price of such produce. Provision for such communication appears to be necessary in order to avoid friction between landlord and tenant and to induce the tenant to cultivate the land to the best advantage.

Clause 16 of the Bill provides for the redemption of rent in produce, when such rent is payable in perpetuity, by the payment of a capital sum of money.

Clause 17 provides that, in any agreement made on and after the 1st day of January, 1900 (which is the first day of the next Chinese year), no rent in produce shall be reserved.

The object of clause 18 is to settle disputes in cases (inter alia) where a man, who is adjudged to have no proper title, has been occupying and improving land and where he appears to be equitably entitled to continue to occupy such land upon his paying such a rent as is fair and reasonable, having regard to such improvement.

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November 29th. - At 10 A.M.

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